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- 1. CONOFF WENT TO MORGUE, COURT OF INSTRUCTION AND POLICE STATION ON SATURDAY AUG. 19, IN SEARCH OF MR. GAUSS'S PASSPORT, BUT SPANISH AUTHORITIES DO NOT HAVE IT, ALTHOUGH PORTER OF OFFICE BUILDING WHERE MR. GAUSS DIED THOUGHT SAW POLICE TAKE IT FROM HIS SHIRT POCKET WHEN THEY TOOK HIM AWAY. CONOFF THEN WENT THROUGH HIS OFFICE DESK, AND THE PERSONAL EFFECTS IN HIS LODGING, BUT PASSPORT WAS NOT FOUND, NOR EVEN A BIRTH CERTIFICATE, WHICH A FRIEND SAYS SHE HAS SEEN. THERE IS NO DOUBHT HOWEVER THAT MR. GAUSS IS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN.
- 2. A PEACE CORPS CARD WAS FOUND ON HIS BODY: RECORD NO. 18761, ISSUED MAY 25, 1964. THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO ASK PEACE CORPS TO CHECK ITS RECORDS FOR NOK INFORMATION.
- 3. PASSPORT OFFICE HAS BEEN QUERIED BY TELEX, BUT ONLY UNCLASSIFIED

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INFORMATION WE COULD GIVE IS THAT MR. GAUSSS WAS
49 YEARS OLD AND WAS BORN IN UPPER NEW YORK STATE.
FRIENDS HERE SAY A BROTHER AND SISTER LIVE IN NEW YORK
STATE, AND FATHER AND MOTHER LIVE IN ARIZONA. TODMAN

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